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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trade sentiment for 8-16 lb. hens steady to fully steady and 16-24 lb. toms was steady to barely steady. No sales reported. Supplies of whole birds adequate for current market requirements. Demand light to moderate. Bulk parts and meats trading fairly good. Offerings mixed.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading and demand good. Trading centered on frozen thigh meat and tom drums going to Mexico and Russia and a fair amount of mechanically separated turkey traded. Most buyers taking a wait and see attitude toward the market as some unsettledness sets in.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **APRIL 24, 2001**

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FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	63-65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	62-63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	63-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED),
CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS
AS OF 24 APRIL 2001.

Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady on fresh tom breast meat and fresh destrapped tenderloins. Demand was light for the adequate to fully adequate offerings. The undertone on tom drums and tom full-cut wings was steady to barely steady, frozen thigh meat ranged steady to weak mostly steady to barely steady. Demand on thigh meat, tom full-cut wings and tom drums ranged from light to sometimes fair. Offerings of frozen thigh meat ranged from adequate to instances ample, mostly adequate to fully adequate and tom drums were adequate to fully adequate. Tom 2-joint wings were starting to become more available at lower trending price levels and hen part offerings were light and held with confidence. Trading centered on a fair volume of Grade A 4-8 lb. private label breasts at 108.50 cents delivered June-August, 2001.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	92.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	30.00		30.00	18
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	29.60	100
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	31.00-32.00		31.85	47
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	41.00		41.00	3
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	39.00		39.00	12
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	35.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		T	47.00	36
NECKS, TOM	33.00-34.00		33.43	21
NECKS, HEN		T	30.00	9
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	167.00		167.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	169.23	375
THIGH MEAT	71.00		71.00	12
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	66.00	20
BREAST TRIM MEAT	115.00		115.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	120.40	50
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		W	152.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	150.00		150.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	66.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.00		19.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		F	16.43	105

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	29.51	304
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	35.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		R	27.00	28
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	18.00	380
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	67.00		67.00	20

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96-98
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96-98
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	68-76
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	67-76
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	68-76

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	93-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	88-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	89-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	89-99
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	88-101

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 25 APRIL 2001.

Trade sentiment on Grade A 4-8 lb. breasts steady to fully steady, plant grades steady. Demand light to fair. Offerings of Grade A 4-8 lb. breasts light to adequate, plant grades adequate. Trade sentiment became mixed on frozen thigh meat. Seller sentiment in the East and some in the Midwest called frozen thigh meat steady to fully steady with some still noting interest from Eastern Europe, Russia and Mexico. Others, however, note decreased export inquiry on frozen thigh meat from some export markets and increased offers from sellers with some noted at lower trending prices. Tom drum and wing trade sentiment steady to barely steady. Inquiry light to fair. Offerings of tom drums and wings uneven with availability generally dependant upon export destination requirements. Domestic trading centered on a heavy volume of fresh mechanically separated turkey, a fair volume of frozen destrapped tenderloins, and a light volume of fresh tom breast meat. Export trading centered on heavy volumes of tom drums and frozen thigh meat.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	101.00		101.00	160
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		R	92.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	30.00-31.00		30.23	26
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		F	29.60	100
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		T	31.85	47
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	40.00		40.00	15
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		T	39.00	12
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	35.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM	33.00		33.00	8
NECKS, HEN	31.00		31.00	18
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		T	167.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	164.00-171.00		167.65	340
THIGH MEAT		T	71.00	12
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	66.00		66.00	20
BREAST TRIM MEAT	112.00		112.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT	130.00		130.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	140.00-143.00		141.25	480
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	147.00-148.00		147.71	140
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	66.00		66.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.00		19.00	20
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	15.00-18.00		16.48	1,200

EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	29.00-31.00		30.04	752
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	35.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		R	27.00	28
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	18.00-21.50		19.63	284
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	70.00-71.00		70.62	780

USDA, AMS, POULTRY PROGRAMS.

POULTRY MARKET NEWS OFFICES

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BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 04/25/01

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD

ACCUMULATED

SEASON	HEAVY WHITE	HEAVY WHITES	ALL BREEDS
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30			
2000-2001		348,736	348,986
1999-2000	1,069	318,182	318,532